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TJJD Board Selects David Reilly To Lead Agency

AUSTIN – The Board of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) today voted unanimously to appoint David Reilly as the agency's new Executive Director. Reilly has served as the agency's Interim Director since May 12, 2014. He will assume his permanent position on October 1, 2014.

Prior to joining TJJD as interim director, Reilly served as the Chief Juvenile Probation Officer for Bexar County in San Antonio, where he directed Bexar County's juvenile probation office for nearly 17 years. The Bexar County department has 680 employees and operates three secure juvenile facilities, serving both pre- adjudication and post-adjudication youth.

TJJD Board Chairman Scott Fisher said the board enthusiastically voted to retain Reilly, noting his commitment to youth, professionalism and knowledge of the juvenile justice system both in San Antonio and while serving as the TJJD interim director.

"David is an innovator and widely respected in the juvenile justice field," Fisher said. "His outstanding record of service while leading the Bexar County Juvenile Probation Department and the leadership he provided to our agency while serving as our interim director all point to his continued success. We are fortunate to have a person with his vision and dedication to public service to lead us in the coming years."

Reilly has a combined total of 47 years' experience in the delivery of children and youth services in Texas. Before joining Bexar County in 1997, Reilly served 23 years with the state, with the last five years as the Director of Field Operations for TDPRS from 1992-97. Prior to that, Reilly had served as Regional Director for Child Protective Services for 10 years in the San Antonio region and three years as Regional Director in the Austin region.

He began his career as a juvenile probation officer shortly after graduating from St. Mary's University in San Antonio with a B.A. degree in Psychology. After two years as a juvenile probation officer, Reilly returned to graduate school at Our Lady of The Lake University (OLLU) and received his Master of Social Work degree in 1970. Reilly was selected as an Outstanding Alumni, OLLU in 1996. Reilly is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker.

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